

CLAIMS

Claim 1 (original): A snap together panel connection system comprising:

a first and a second panel each with an edge and two corners;
a latch and a catch, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending, located near each corner; and,
a straight connector with at least one latch and at least one catch, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending, whereby the latch of the first panel is snapped into the catch of the straight connector and the latch of the straight connector is snapped into the catch of the second panel.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 further comprising at least one alignment stop to limit sliding movement of a snapped together latch and catch.

Claim 3 (previously presented): A snap together connection comprising:

two elements each connected to at least one of a latch or catch, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending; and, a straight connector with at least two of a latch or a catch, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending, whereby each element is connected to the straight connector with a latch or catch of each element snapped into the corresponding latch or catch of the straight connector.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The snap together connection of claim 3 further comprising at least one alignment stop to limit sliding movement of at least one snapped together latch and catch.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 wherein each panel is substantially the same size and shape.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 wherein at least one panel is not substantially the same size and shape as the other panels.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The snap together connection of claim 3 wherein at least one element is a panel.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The snap together connection of claim 7 wherein panels are substantially the same size and shape.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The snap together connection of claim 3 wherein at least one element is a selected from the group consisting of a metal frame, a wood frame, a rattan frame, a rattan grid, a wicker grid, a wicker frame, a metal sheet, cardboard, foam, fiberboard, laminate, wood and a metal grid panel.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A ~~snag~~ snap together panel connection system comprising:

- a first and a second panel each with an edge and two corners:

- a latch and a catch, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending, located near each corner; and

- a straight connector with one latch and one catch, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending, whereby the latch of the first panel is snapped into the catch of the straight connector and the latch of the straight connector is snapped into the catch of the second panel.

Claim 11 (new): The connection system of claim 10 further comprising at least one alignment stop to limit sliding movement of a snapped together latch and catch.

Claim 12 (new): A snap together connection comprising:

- two elements each connected to at least two panel covers, each panel cover having a latch and a catch, each catch with a deformable slot walls and each catch with an enlarged head; and

- straight connectors having at least a latch and a catch, each catch with a deformable slot walls and each catch with an enlarged head, whereby a straight connector forms a bridge between the two elements connecting a latch on one element to a catch on the other element.

Claim 13 (new): The snap together connection of claim 12 wherein the elements are panels.

Claim 14 (new): The snap together connection of claim 12 wherein the elements are frames.

Claim 15 (new): A snap together arrangement comprising a substantially straight component formed by two panels connected in-line with straight connectors.

Claim 16 (new): The snap together arrangement of claim 15 wherein:

Each panel has at least two panel covers, each catch with deformable slot walls and each latch with an enlarged head extending, along one edge; and

The straight connectors each have a catch with deformable slot walls and a latch with an enlarged head extending; whereby the latches and catches of the straight connectors snap into corresponding latches and catches of the two panels thereby affixing the two panels in-line.